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SMOKING PROHIBITION

To promote the health and safety of all students and staff and to promote the cleanliness of school grounds, the board prohibits all smoking or use of tobacco products in all school facilities and on all school grounds at all times. Definitions of “school facilities” and “school grounds” shall be in accord with definitions in the administrative code.

Notice of this policy shall be given at each school entrance and at appropriate locations on school grounds in accordance with law. Smoking shall not be permitted at any time in classrooms, lunch room, gymnasium or anywhere else on school grounds.

The administration is authorized to report violations, in accordance with law, to the board of health. Pupils and district employees who violate the provisions of this policy shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary measures. The chief school administrator shall prepare and the board shall adopt regulations prohibiting smoking in all district buildings and on school grounds.

Definition: For purposes of this policy, "smoking" means the burning of a lighted cigar, cigarette, pipe or any other matter or substance which contains tobacco. Chewing tobacco is also specifically prohibited by this policy. **“Smoking” shall also refer to the use electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes) on school property.**

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**Legal References:**

N.J.S.A. 26:3D-55 et seq. New Jersey Smoke-Free Air Act

N.J.A.C. 6A:16-1.3 Definitions

N.J.A.C. 6A:16-3.1(a)7 Establishment of comprehensive alcohol, tobacco and

N.J.A.C. 6A:26-1.2 Definitions

N.J.A.C. 6A:26-12.2(a)4 Policies and procedures for school facility operation

N.J.A.C. 8:6-7.2 Smoking prohibited in school buildings and on school grounds

N.J.A.C. 8:6-9.1 Enforcement against individuals

N.J.A.C. 8:6-9.2 Enforcement against person having control of an indoor public place

Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015, Pub.L. 114-95, 20 U.S.C.A. 6301 et seq.

**Possible****Cross References:**

1250	Visitors
1330	Use of school facilities
4119.23	Employee substance abuse
4219.23	Employee substance abuse
5131.6	Drugs, alcohol, tobacco (substance abuse)

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